

HAINES TOWNSHIP Newsletter

JUNE 2025



Message from the Board Chairman

This rain can't last forever, and the forecast is calling for hotter days! Oh, yeah! It sounds like ice cream weather to me! Mark your calendars! August 1st at Wert Memorial Park in Aaronsburg, the Haines Township Board of Supervisors will host the fourth annual Haines Township Ice Cream Social, and all Haines Township residents are invited.

The Ice Cream Social started out and remains a way for the community to recognize and thank all of the people who help make life in Haines Township better. Volunteer members of our township boards (Planning Commission, HAMA, HWMA, Zoning Hearing Board), Firefighters, EMTs, Civic Club, PV Historical Museum, Churches, Fall Festival Committee, PVCA, and more, all invest their time to make our community the best that it can be.

When the Ice Cream Social started, we didn't anticipate how much our residents enjoyed coming out to mix and mingle with their neighbors while enjoying some delicious ice cream! In addition, we invite non-profit organizations and other government agencies to set up information tables so that our residents can find answers and resources to everyday questions or problems.

Mark your calendar for Friday, August 1st, at 6:30 pm. We'll enjoy getting together, thanking our volunteers, and eating ice cream!

Darryl Schaefer

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Municipal (Water) Authority Highlights

Haines-Aaronsburg Municipal Authority (HAMA)

Monthly meetings are held the third Wednesday of every month
337 E. Aaron Square, Aaronsburg @ 6:30pm.

Our office hours are Monday - Friday 7:30am - 3:30pm
unless otherwise noted on website or bulletin board.

Water Emergencies Call: Jodi Muthler — 570-660-7879

Board Members

Derek Hart - Chairman

VACANT: Vice Chairman

Tina Lamey - Secy./Treas.

Ian Smith - Asst. Secy./Treas.

Kody Orndorf - Member

Kimberly Claar: Office Admin — 814-349-8193

HAMA Summer Update

We want to take time to thank Russel Burkholder for his four and a half years of service as vice-chairman and board member. Russel's leadership, problem-solving, forward-thinking and savvy business skills have been a huge asset. Russel will be missed.

Haines-Woodward Municipal Authority (HWMA)

Monthly meetings are held the second Monday every Month
at the United Trinity Church in Woodward @ 7pm

Water Emergencies Call: Rick Witmer - 814-777-2527

Board Members

Tonia Witmer: Chair — 570-428-5986

Jeremy Witmer: Maintenance — 570-939-0224

Julie Shaffer: Vice Chair — 814-574-1455

Peggy Huey: Treasurer — 814-349-8930

Jen Krout: Secretary

Haines Township 4th Annual Ice Cream Social



Ice Cream Social

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

DATE: AUGUST 1, 2025

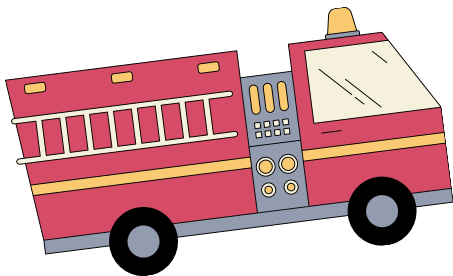
TIME: 6:30pm - Dusk

LOCATION: Don Wert Memorial Park

233 W. Plum St., Aaronsburg, PA 16820



Come join us for a FREE evening of Fun, Music, Fire Truck Rides, Kid Activities, ICE CREAM and.....



NEW THIS YEAR...PIZZA TASTING.

You can have your Ice Cream and Pizza, too!

We are firing up the ovens at the park to make Pizza!

Dutch Fall Fest

VILLAGE OF AARONSBURG PENNSYLVANIA

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - OCTOBER 4 & 5, 2025
SATURDAY 9AM - 5PM & SUNDAY 10AM - 4PM

This two-day festival, established in 1976, is located in the heart of historic Aaronsburg, PA. The festival includes Craft, Art, Antique, and Produce Vendors, **HOMEMADE** Sticky Buns, Bread, Ham Pot Pie, Apple Dumplings, Apple Cider, Breakfast Sandwiches, Soups, Fresh Cut French Fries, and Handmade Quilts that will be raffled. There will also be lots of educational demonstrations.

NEW ADDITION: Free Children's Activity Tent complete with take-home crafts, activities, and face painting for all ages AND pedal tractor pulls.

Spread the word and clear your calendars, this year's festival is going to be epic.

ENTERTAINMENT SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 4th

9:00AM - NICK MILLER PROJECT
10:45AM - KEVIN BRIGGS
12:30PM - ADAM YARGER
2:00PM - CHRIS BELL BAND
3:45PM - CHICKEN TRACTOR DELUXE

Sunday, October 5th

9:30AM - OUTDOOR CHURCH SERVICE
11:00AM - PENNS VALLEY YOUTH CENTER WORSHIP BAND
12:45PM - CALADONIA TRIO
2:30PM - JAY VONADA QUARTET

To become a Festival Volunteer, Sponsor, or register as a Vendor/Youth Vendor.

Contact: Kimberly Claar at 814-349-8193 or kclaar.hainestwp@gmail.com

or go to our website: <https://hainestwp.org/dutch-fall-festival/>

As we approach the 50th year of the Dutch Fall Festival in 2026, this milestone would not be possible without the generosity of our family of supporters. We invite you to partner with us by becoming a sponsor of this year's festival. You are investing in our renewed commitment to grow and improve the festival and to create memorable experiences. Together, we'll continue to celebrate the rich heritage that unites us, honor its original history with more demonstrations of PA Dutch traditions, and showcase the beauty of our community and our valley.

All sponsors will be added to a leaf on our "NEW" Festival Family Recognition Tree!

Individuals and Businesses can scan the QR code to give securely online.



Community News



Don't forget to sign up for the Township Notification System. This call and/or text notification system is a quick way to keep residents informed of Township Wide Urgent News.

Call or Email the Township Office to get registered.

Phone: (814) 349-8193 or Email: hainestownship@verizon.net

***Indicate how you would like to be notified:**

Phone Call, Text, or Both.

News from ACC - AARONSBURG CIVIC CLUB

Greetings from your friends at ACC!



Thanks to all of you who renewed your membership, volunteered, and donated during Centre Gives! Your dedication and contributions make a difference in our community!

SUMMER ADVENTURES IN ART is July 28 - Aug 1!

RESERVE ACC for your next family party or reunion!

Check out aaronsburgcc.org for more information.



PARK CLEAN-UP DAY AT WERT MEMORIAL PARK 233 W. PLUM STREET, AARONSBURG

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

JULY 19, 2025

9:00AM - 1:00PM

**If you have all day or just an hour,
WE NEED YOU!**

**Weed removal, edging, mulching,
building cleanup and organizing, etc.**



Thank you for your support! Andrea Vonada, President ACC

Community News, Continued

Real Estate Tax Collector: Andrea L. Vonada
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 101, Aaronsburg, PA 16820
Street Address: 129 N Rachels Way, Aaronsburg, PA 16820
Phone: 814-531-8085



The spring County/Municipal bills are in the **FACE** period through June 30th. Starting July 1st, these bills will be in the 10% PENALTY period when paid July 1st - Dec 31st. Tax bills not paid by December 31st are returned to the County for collection, and more fees/penalties will apply.

School real estate tax bills will be mailed by the new vendor on or just before July 15th. Remember: they look different! They are printed on a cardstock-weight paper and have perforations on three sides for you to tear open, and each bill is mailed separately. Please call me if you do not receive your bill(s). REMINDER: You will receive a 2% discount on the School bill if your payment is received by Sept. 15th! Make sure to pay the correct amount based on the date you pay the bill. Accurate payment amounts are appreciated; please double-check the amount.

Questions?

Visit the HT website page for Tax Collectors at <https://hainestwp.org/township-government/tax-collector/> for more information or call 814-531-8085. Wishing you a wonderful summer!

Andrea L. Vonada, Tax Collector

Thank you for reading!

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